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## Black Student Movement

### New leadership faces new tasks

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Newly elected and appointed BSM officers received immediate leadership orientation during the Campus Governing Council (CGC) budget appropriation activities this month, a critical period for any student government funded organization.

Elected chairperson, Jacqueline Lucas, a Rocky Mount RTVMP major and vice-chairman Luther Falls, from Greensboro, painfully witnessed the CGC Finance Committee slice the BSM budget request of \$26,550 by more than two-thirds before it was submitted as a recommendation of \$8,750 (plus a \$10,000 loan) to CGC for approval.

CGC, however, increased the recommended amount by \$100 for the Choir category and \$1,500 for a new category, the Black Arts Festival. The Finance Committee was also requested by CGC to consider allowing the *Black Ink* to retain unspent funds of 1975-76 for the coming year's budget. (Treasury laws previously required that any surplus funds be returned to the Student Activities Funds balance and lost by the organization.)

Treasury laws will necessarily be watched more closely by the organization than ever before in BSM history. The major responsibility will rest with Gene Manning, newly elected treasurer. Manning, a native of Raleigh, is a business administration major.

Manning's performance as financial records keeper for the organization will no doubt be scrutinized by CGC after a year of treasury probation. Probation enforced by CGC during Fall 1975 followed two fund freezes this past year, required that all treasury transactions by the BSM be approved by the student body treasurer.

As BSM treasurer, Manning's responsibilities will also require that he properly educate BSM group leaders

about treasury laws and procedures in order to prevent another year of fund freezes for the organization.

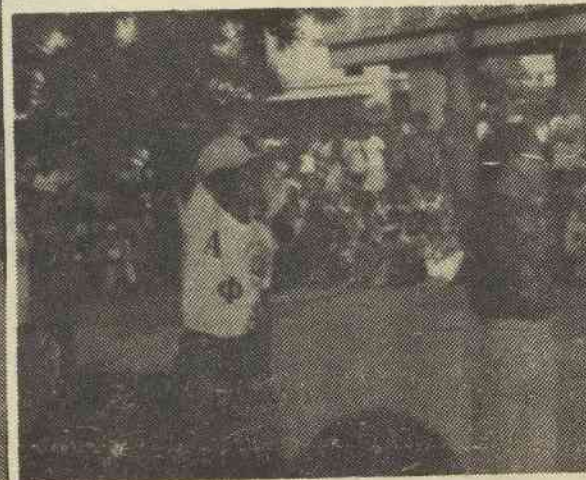
Despite both fund freezes, this year, that halted all organizational spending for weeks during the first semester, plans for major annual cultural activities did continue for the Fall Festival and Miss BSM Coronation and Ball. Planning for cultural programs and events next year will be coordinated by the Cultural Committee, to be headed by recently elected Terry Sherrill, from Huntersville. Sherrill will be faced with planning and coordinating, carefully, activities that provide the major sources of revenue for the BSM.

Allen Johnson, an English major, and newly appointed *Black Ink* editor will also be responsible for a major revenue raising project never before undertaken by the newspaper staff in previous years. Although the Finance Committee will be considering allowing use of surplus funds by the staff, Johnson proposes to supplement the \$4,200 approved allocation with revenue from advertising and nonstudent subscriptions.

The "Weekly Ink," a supplementary newsletter to the monthly publication will also have a major task. The impact of frozen funds evidenced the need for greater communications channels within the more than 800-member organization. Joretta Durant, a business administration major, has assumed the elected position as Minister of Information to collect announcements and reports for the "Weekly Ink."

Internal communications proved to be a challenge during the past year which were maximized by limited funds, supplies and inadequate office equipment. The organization also suffered from a less than perfect system of distributing newsletters, newspapers and memos. Responsibility for strengthening the system will rest with

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#### Showtime

From a solo performance by varsity cheerleader Peaches Hauser to group performances by fraternities and sororities in the Pit, the art of dance goes far beyond Upendo parties.

### Women sound off on love, abortion, sex

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Getting down, making love, getting off—all common synonyms for the most common natural activity—sex. The liberation drives of the 60s, Black liberation, women's liberation, gay liberation, brought with them the liberation of premarital sex. In fact, by 1969 30 per cent of all American women between the ages of 15 and 19 had experienced premarital sex.

In the Black population, the wave of sexual liberation caused a dramatic

increase in the rate of illegitimate births. Whether out of love, moral objections to abortion or unwillingness to give for adoption a child nurtured and carried for nine months, most Black women opt to keep their children born out of wedlock. This trend, however, causes more unwed mothers on welfare, more Black women as single heads of households, and an increase in poor families among the Black population.

Just to get an overall view of the state of illegitimacy among the Black population, the 1970 U. S. Census Report gives the following statistics: 25 per cent of all Black babies born are illegitimate; one of four Black families is headed by women (this statistic includes divorced women); when compared to the overall population Black women are seven times less likely to have an abortion and nine times less likely to give up a baby for adoption.

Some bias is probably inherent in these statistics, so to get a Black woman's view on love, sex, illegitimacy, birth control and abortion, I interviewed several Black women on UNC's campus. Their names have been withheld by request.

Twelve of fifteen women all agree that premarital sex is beautiful between consenting partners. One sophomore adds, however, "I don't mean that you should just get down with anyone. For me, there has to be some element of love involved. Sex just for the sake of getting down seems kind of immoral."

"Your point of view is straight from the  
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### Carney: strength remains in BSM

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The Black Student Movement (BSM) is presently recuperating from Fall '75—a semester in which it experienced an ordeal never before encountered by any other student organization on this campus.

Last semester the BSM's funds were frozen three times for the alleged violation of treasury laws. There were bitter arguments between the BSM and the Campus Governing Council (CGC) and within CGC itself. Some CGC members resigned. The chairman of the BSM resigned.

How has the BSM fared since that eventful semester?

Gloria Carney, the outgoing chairperson of the BSM responded, "Underlying strength still prevails within our organization despite the controversies of last semester. Our organization is now stronger in that we have learned from some not so good experiences."

It was Carney's opinion that the BSM-CGC confrontation was, on the one hand, a direct attack at the BSM, while at the same time an attack against three controversial organizations—the BSM, the Association of Women Students (AWS), and the Carolina Gay Association

(CGA). She felt that a certain group of CGC members, under the influence of the former student body treasurer Mike O'Neal, controlled CGC.

"They (CGC) define the BSM, AWS and CGA as interest groups and thus falsely advocated that each appeals only to select groups of people."

Carney said the BSM has definitely changed as a result of last semester. She said the period of tribulation has made the members realize the extreme need and importance of the organization. In addition, she felt the need to institutionalize the BSM struggle—to be more systematic in their operations, has now been realized.